

CLAIMS

What is Claimed is:

1. An impact protection device having a first interface configured to
5 conform to a surface of a portable computer device and a second interface
configured to receive a peripheral component, the impact protection device
comprised of an impact absorbing material to protect the peripheral component
from damage when the peripheral component is coupled to the portable
computer device.

10 2. An impact protection device of Claim 1 where the portable
computer has a slot for receiving the peripheral component card.

3. An impact protection device of Claim 1 where peripheral
component is a secure digital input/output (SDIO) card and the second interface
is configured to receive the SDIO card when the SDIO card is inserted into the
15 portable computer.

4. An impact protection device of Claim 3 where the peripheral
component protrudes outside a slot of the portable computer device for
receiving the peripheral component.

5. An impact protection device of Claim 3 where the portable
20 computer has a front side where a display screen is located, a back side
opposite the front side, a right side, a left side, a top side and a bottom side and
wherein a slot for receiving the peripheral component is on the top side of the
portable computer.

6. An impact protection device of Claim 5 where the slot for receiving the peripheral component is on the right side of the portable computer.

7. An impact protection device of Claim 5 where the slot for receiving the peripheral component is on the left side of the portable computer.

5 8. An impact protection device of Claim 5 where the slot for receiving the peripheral component is on the bottom side of the portable computer.

9. An impact protection device of Claim 5 wherein the protective device protects the protruding portion of the peripheral card when the peripheral card is inserted into the portable computer.

10 10. An impact protection device of Claim 1 wherein the impact protection device comprises an elastic material.

11. An impact protection device of Claim 1 wherein the impact protection device comprises a material allowing transfer of energy through the material.

15 12. An impact protection device of Claim 1 where the portable computer is a cellular telephone.

13. An impact protection device of Claim 1 where the portable computer is a personal digital assistant (PDA).

20 14. An impact protection device of Claim 1 where the portable computer is a digital watch.

15. An impact protection device having a first interface configured to contact a surface of a portable computer device, the impact protection device comprised of an impact absorbing material to protect the peripheral component

from damage when the peripheral component is coupled to the portable computer device, wherein the first interface is adapted to receive a portion of peripheral component protruded outside the portable computer.

16. An impact protection device of Claim 15 where the portable
5 computer has a slot for receiving the peripheral component card.

17. An impact protection device of Claim 15 where peripheral
component is a secure digital input/output (SDIO) card and the first interface is
configured to receive the SDIO card when the SDIO card is inserted into the
portable computer.

10 18. An impact protection device of Claim 17 where the peripheral
component protrude outside the slot for receiving the peripheral component.

19. An impact protection device of Claim 17 where the portable
computer has a front side where a display screen is located, a back side
opposite the front side, a right side, a left side, a top side and a bottom side and
15 wherein the slot for receiving the peripheral component is on the top side of the
portable computer.

20. An impact protection device of Claim 17 where the slot for
receiving the peripheral component is on the right side of the portable
computer.

20 21. An impact protection device of Claim 17 where the slot for
receiving the peripheral component is on the left side of the portable computer.

22. An impact protection device of Claim 17 where the slot for receiving the peripheral component is on the bottom side of the portable computer.

23. An impact protection device of Claim 17 wherein the protective
5 device protects the protruding portion of the peripheral card when the peripheral card is inserted into the portable computer.

24. An impact protection device of Claim 16 wherein the impact protection device is made out of a material allowing transfer of energy through the material.

10 25. An impact protection device of Claim 16 where the portable computer is a digital watch.

26 A system comprising:

a portable computer having a first slot provided for receiving a first portion of a peripheral component;

15 an impact protection device having a second slot provided for receiving a second portion of the peripheral component, wherein a surface of the impact protection device contacts a surface of the portable computer when the first portion of the peripheral component is received by the first slot and the second portion of the peripheral component is received in the second slot;

20 a peripheral component having a first portion and a second portion; wherein the first portion is inserted inside the first slot provided for receiving the peripheral component, wherein a portion of the peripheral component protrudes outside the slot provided for receiving the peripheral component.

